

Michael Rigas, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget.

Nathan A. Simington, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2019.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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**Record Votes:** Six record votes were taken today. (Total—181) **Pages S5623, S5623–24, S5637, S5637–38**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:56 p.m., until 9:45 a.m. on Thursday, September 17, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5676.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### HHS' CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Health and Human Services' Coronavirus response, focusing on a review of efforts to date and next steps, after receiving testimony from Brett Giroir, Assistant Secretary for Health, Bob Kadlec, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, and Robert Redfield, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, all of the Department of Health and Human Services.

### FEDERAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine Federal housing assistance programs, after receiving testimony from Daniel Garcia-Diaz, Managing Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment Team, Government Accountability Office; Ed Olsen, University of Virginia, Charlottesville;

and Diane Yentel, National Low Income Housing Coalition, Washington, D.C.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 804, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to protect the cultural practices and livelihoods of producers of Alaska Native handicrafts and fossilized ivory products;

S. 1626, to require the National Telecommunications and Information Administration to estimate the value of electromagnetic spectrum assigned or otherwise allocated to Federal entities;

S. 3831, to authorize the position of Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Travel and Tourism, to statutorily establish the United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board, with an amendment;

S. 4159, to amend the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act to accommodate emerging technologies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4286, to authorize appropriations for offsetting the costs related to reductions in research productivity resulting from the coronavirus pandemic, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4462, to establish a national integrated flood information system within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4568, to facilitate the development and distribution of forensic science standards by establishing in the National Institute of Standards and Technology the Organization of Scientific Area Committees for Forensic Science, with an amendment; and

The nominations of Eric J. Soskin, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Transportation, Robert E. Primus, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, and Theodore Rokita, of Indiana, Sarah E. Feinberg, of West Virginia, and Chris Koos, of Illinois, each to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Allison Clements, of Ohio, and Mark C. Christie, of Virginia, both to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### PUBLIC LANDS AND WILDFIRES LEGISLATION

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining concluded a hearing to examine S. 180, to streamline

the oil and gas permitting process and to recognize fee ownership for certain oil and gas drilling or spacing units, S. 1295, to require the Secretary of the Interior to develop and maintain a cadastre of Federal real property, S. 1765, to sustain economic development and recreational use of National Forest System land in the State of Montana, to add certain land to the National Wilderness Preservation System, to designate new areas for recreation, S. 1870 and H.R. 722, bills to designate a mountain in the State of Utah as “Miracle Mountain”, S. 2533, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to exclude certain payments to Alaska Native elders for determining eligibility for certain programs, S. 2828, to require the Secretary of the Interior to prepare a programmatic environmental impact statement allowing for adaptive management of certain Federal land in Malheur County, Oregon, S. 2890, to promote conservation, improve public land, and provide for sensible development in Douglas County, Nevada, S. 3241, to amend the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act to establish the Cerro de la Olla Wilderness in the Rio Grande del Norte National Monument, New Mexico, S. 3366, to amend the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act to make the National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass available at no cost to members of Gold Star Families, S. 3427, to require the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works to digitize and make publicly available geographic information system mapping data relating to public access to Federal land and waters for outdoor recreation, S. 3485, to expand the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to expand revenue sharing for offshore wind, to reauthorize the National Oceans and Coastal Security Act, S. 3670, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Gila River System in the State of New Mexico as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, to provide for the transfer of administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal land in the State of New Mexico, S. 4431, to increase wildfire preparedness and response throughout the United States, S. 4475, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to La Paz County, Arizona, and H.R. 255, to provide for an exchange of lands with San Bernardino County, California, to enhance management of lands within the San Bernardino National Forest, after receiving testimony from Senators Feinstein, Whitehouse, and Udall; Chris French, Deputy Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Amanda Kaster, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior; Mark Dunn,

Owyhee Basin Stewardship Coalition, Arlington, Virginia; and Haydn Forward, Heritage Waters Coalition, and Jamie Crockett, Gila Backcountry Services, both of Silver City, New Mexico.

### NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION RULE

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Navigable Waters Protection Rule under the Clean Water Act, focusing on the stakeholder reaction, after receiving testimony from Rebecca Roose, New Mexico Environment Department Water Protection Division, Santa Fe; Ray Gaesser, Gaesser Farms, Corning, Iowa; and Douglas Davis, Jr., Fletcher Davis Company, St. Augustine, Florida.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

A motion to authorize the Chairman to issue notices for taking depositions, subpoenas for records, and subpoenas for testimony, to individuals relating to the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s Crossfire Hurricane Investigation; the DOJ Inspector General’s review of that investigation; and the “unmasking” of U.S. persons affiliated with the Trump campaign, transition team, and Trump administration, as described in Schedule A (Items 1–3); and

The nominations of John M. Barger, of California, Christopher Bancroft Burnham, of Connecticut, and Frank Dunlevy, of California, each to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

### SECTION 1201 REFORMS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Intellectual Property concluded a hearing to examine whether the reforms to Section 1201 are needed and warranted, after receiving testimony from Regan A. Smith, General Counsel and Associate Register of Copyrights, Copyright Office, Library of Congress; Vanessa P. Bailey, Intel Corporation, J. Matthew Williams, Mitchell Silberberg and Knupp LLP, Seth D. Greenstein, Constantine Cannon LLP, Morgan Reed, ACT The App Association, and Aaron Lowe, Auto Care Association, all of Washington, D.C.; and Blake E. Reid, University of Colorado Law School Samuelson-Glushko Technology Law and Policy Clinic, Boulder.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.